

**WORKING PAPER**

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Significant Items -- Week of 19 thru 23 March 1979

1. All substantive cables should include a "Date of Information" statement. It is suggested that one of the two standard NFAC formats or an abbreviated message format be adopted as shown below.

"Information as of (date) has been used in preparing this message."

or

"Research for this message was completed on (date)."

or

DOI: (date) -- as the last line of the message prior to the classification line. [redacted]

2. All OIA analysts and a majority of the branch and division management have completed the NPIC Data System (NDS) training course conducted for OIA by NPIC. Nine sessions of this course were given since November. New employees will be given similar training as part of the P.I. school conducted by NPIC. [redacted]

3. [redacted] attended a two and one-half day seminar conducted by the Softcopy Exploitation Working Group [redacted]. The seminar brought together Community representatives to discuss progress made in R&D by ORD, OD&E, EXRAND, and the DoD elements and to discuss requirement definition by users. A few softcopy systems are now in engineering and several others have reached the prototype stage of development. One, the Image Interpretation System - Engineering Model (IISEM), has been tested for human factors analysis by OIA analysts [redacted] while at the contractor's facility in [redacted]. The IISEM is the basis for the Image Data Exploitation (IDEX) system which will begin full development in FY-1981. [redacted]

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4. [ ] of LFD attended a meeting [ ] concerning the capabilities of [ ] three dimensional video display system [ ] The system appears to have potential application in target and terrain analysis and familiarization and line-of-sight analysis. [ ] are currently participating in testing this system for potential application to KH imagery analysis. [ ]

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5. In order to expedite completion of preparations for the OIA Mensuration Course, [ ] will be available for routine assistance during the mornings only beginning 28 March. The first offering of the course is tentatively scheduled to begin 7 May and will be conducted in half-day sessions for seven to ten working days. Each branch should anticipate sending two analysts -- one experienced and one relatively inexperienced -- to each offering. [ ]

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